

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

A detailed listing of all claims that are, or were, in the present application, irrespective of whether the claim(s) remains under examination in the application are presented below. The claims are presented in ascending order and each includes one status identifier. Those claims not cancelled or withdrawn but amended by the current amendment utilize the following notations for amendment: 1. deleted matter is shown by strikethrough; and 2. added matter is shown by underlining.

1. (Currently Amended) A plastic molded drum having a bung opening, the plastic molded drum comprising a cylindrical wall, a top structure, and a bottom structure, all integrally molded; the top structure comprising a top wall and a top chime having a top edge extending circumferentially around, upwardly, and radially outward with respect to said top wall, the top wall comprising an integrally molded recessed portion, the top structure further comprising an upwardly extending first fitting integrally molded with the recessed portion and extending therefrom, the first fitting having a first neck portion and adapted to receive components including a closure;

wherein at least the top chime, the top wall, and the cylindrical wall are integrally molded so that there are no welded portions connecting the top chime with the top wall or the cylindrical wall, and so that there are no welded portions connecting the top wall with the cylindrical wall;

wherein the distance from the top of the first fitting to the top edge of the top chime is sufficient such that components extending 1 and ¼ inches above the top of the first fitting ~~[[is]]~~ are below the top edge of the top chime; and

wherein the drum is made by a process comprising blow molding at least the cylindrical wall, the top wall, and the top chime together in a single blow molding operation.

2. (Previously Presented) The plastic molded drum of claim 1 wherein the recessed portion is localized around the first fitting.

3. (Previously Presented) The plastic molded drum of claim 1, further comprising a bottom chime integrally molded so that there are no welded portions connecting the bottom chime with

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